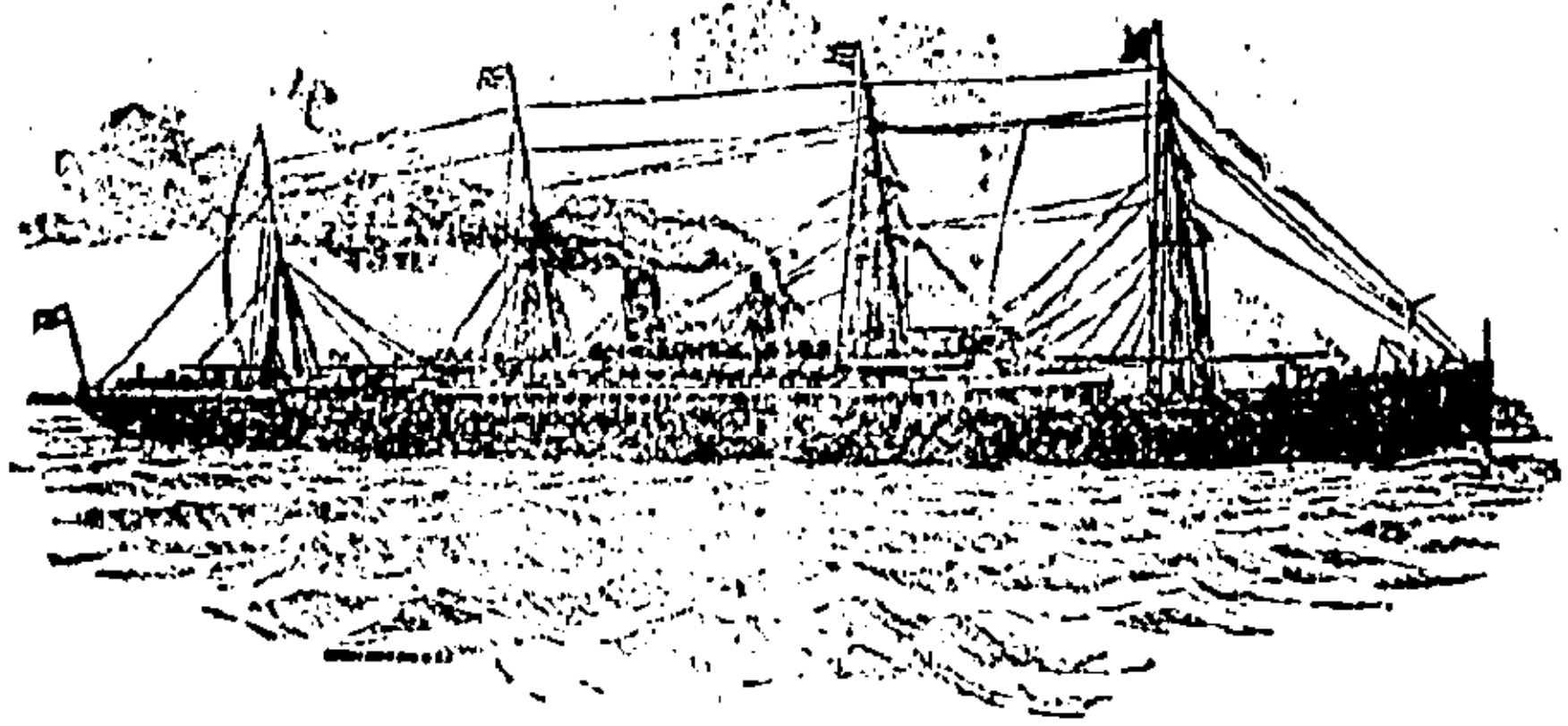


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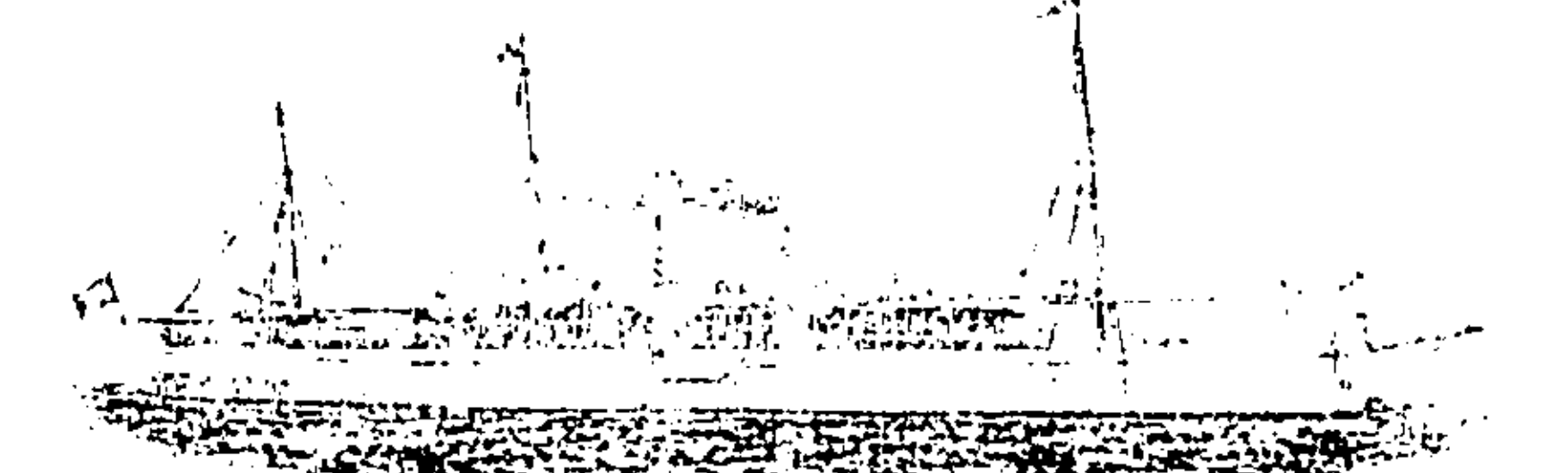
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Hongkong, 9th March, 1904.

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
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ARTEMISIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	
Gronmeyer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.)	3rd May. Freight.
MARBURG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	
Stern	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	17th May. Freight.
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Hongkong, 16th March, 1904.

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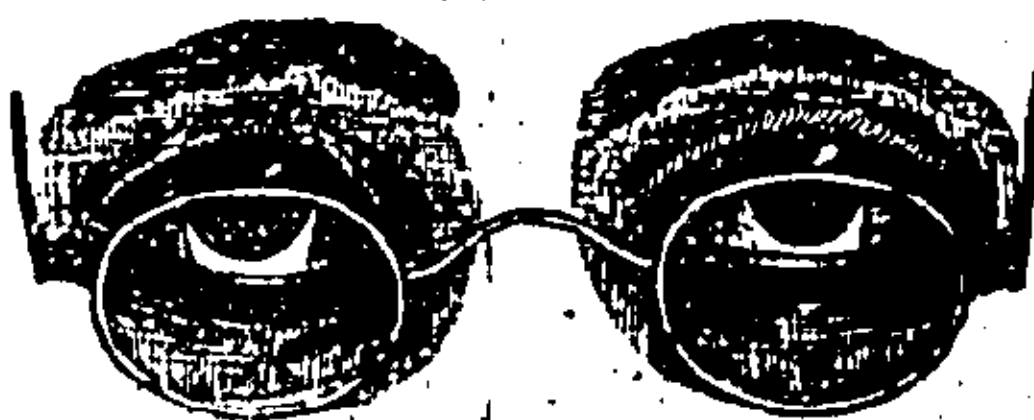
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THE MANAGER.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1902.

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Glasses and frames of all kinds and qualities.

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Hongkong, 6th November, 1902.

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No. 1 DOCK.

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Water on blocks, 5 ft. Time to
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Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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For Terms, &c., apply to the

MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

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CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents on THURSDAY, the 24th March, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th to 24th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1904.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, will be held at the Company's Office, No. 14, Des Vœux Road, Victoria, TO-MORROW, the 19th March, 1904, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 16th March, to Saturday, the 19th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1904.

THE CHINA BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, TO-MORROW, the 19th March, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 19th March, both days inclusive.

J. WHEELEY,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1904.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Hotel, TO-MORROW, the 19th March, 1904, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Company to the 31st December, 1903, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matter that may be competently brought before the meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 19th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MOONEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1904.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

(IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given that a GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Office of the Hon. P. CHATER, C.M.G., Victoria Buildings, Queen's Road, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon on SATURDAY, the 26th day of March, when the Liquidator will lay before the Shareholders a Final Report together with the Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903, and the following Resolution will be proposed, viz.:—
To those Shareholders who make a written application to the Liquidator, Mr. J. Goosmann, on or before the 2nd day of April, 1904, \$1 (Dollar One), or a fraction of same, will be returned per Share, and any Balance remaining after payment of Auditor's Fee, Printing and Petty Expenses is to be transferred to the credit of the Liquidator.

The Books of the Company are to remain in safe custody with Messrs. Melchers & Co. and to be destroyed after two years from date.

J. GOOSMANN,
Liquidator.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1904.

CAMPBELL, MOORE AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 29, Queen's Road, Central, on THURSDAY, the 31st March, 1904, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
M. A. SOUZA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1904.

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A YOUNG LADY, with previous experience, desires a few pupils to TEACH ENGLISH, either privately or by appointment. Terms can be had on application to

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Hongkong, 12th March, 1904.

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C/o Third Paper.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1904.

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THE CONDITION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

A GLOOMY PICTURE.

Writing from Cape Town on the 16th January last, a correspondent of the *Pall Mall Gazette* states:—If matters on the Rand were bad under the Kruger regime, they are twenty times worse just now. The stagnation is terrible, the distress appalling. Along the reef is work for a quarter of a million workers, yet here we have thousands and thousands of idle men walking about, living goodness knows how, sleeping where they can, and anaesthetising the day they made up their minds to come to South Africa. Naturally with an epidemic of distress comes one of crime. Lawlessness is rampant. Burglary is a rich crop, sandhugging and highway robbery are nightly affairs. In fact, Hampstead Heath in the days or nights of the footpad never offered so many risks as lie in the track of the pedestrian who leaves the immediate vicinity of this town, and makes his way through the outlying suburbs after dusk, when he is fairly certain to meet some of the lawless gentry who have not the daring to lurk around the quiet parts during the hours of daylight.

A DESPAIRFUL PLACE.

No doubt those whom we designate as the "accum of Europe" are largely mixed up in these affairs; but the police know that the criminals are not all of that class, but include many erstwhile respectable members of society, who would a year ago have scouted the idea that they could be induced by any circumstances to steal a sixpence or take part in a street brawl. It is only too true that here the white man who cannot manage to make ends meet is fast turning into a tramp, a criminal, and a savage. It is well enough to appeal to him to have patience and await the time when employment will be general. He cannot wait. He is hungry and ragged; his bedroom is the Joubert Park where he "dosses" with shoals of his kind; he is full of despair, and he argues that life is dear and must be preserved even at the price of crime. More than that, he looks at the headgear of the mines all around him as far as the eye can reach. He dreams of the gold below, and cannot shake from his head the belief that the owners of that very gold are the men who are responsible for his plight. Given a strong leavening of Anarchists among the unemployed, one wonders to what extent the lawlessness would extend, and the form which its worst type would take. After the capitalist come the authorities. Your old hand here compares the high times he had under the Commissioner of Police and Kruger's "sarp" with his present days, when things are run on the most approved London style. There is too much official strictness for him, and he regards all the authorities, from the Governor to the last-joined detective, as his enemies. A despairful place at the present time is Johannesburg. Those who have the means to do so are leaving it in big numbers; the "hard-up" remains. He is beached high and dry, and cannot get off. He might make his way to Rhodesia or Cape Colony on foot, like some of his "pals." But there would be little use in that. He would simply be jumping from the frying-pan into the fire since things commercial are as bad in all other parts as in Johannesburg. The tramp would bring him only one advantage. It would take him to the coast, footsore and worn out no doubt, but probably fit to stow away on a homeward vessel. Or—to the poor "sundowner" the very idea is blissful—if the generous steamboat manager lent ear to his tale, he might be induced to allow him to honestly work his passage to other parts as a coal trimmer down in the inferno of the ship. A first or second class passenger out; a broken man and a coal-trimmer home!

A LIBEL ON THE ARMY.

I say that the unfortunate civilian who has no employment is turning into a savage. Some time ago we learned from London that the soldier in camp was following the same road, and that there was mutiny or incipient mutiny among the men. I have investigated the state of affairs in half a dozen camps, including that at Middelburg, where matters were said to be so bad, and I can emphatically deny that there is a word of truth in the statement. It is true that the condition of affairs, so far as comfort is concerned, is not up to Wellington Barracks form; it is true that the dust devil, and sun and frost alternately, make Tommy "grouse"; it is true that the hutments in which the majority of the soldiers live might be better, and are being made better; but it is not true that our soldiers have ever passed the bounds of grumbling that they look upon as their right. Nor are the officers who can do so resigning. Officers are leaving, but the percentage of resignations is not greater than that in India or at home, and it is a noteworthy fact that desertions are not up to the home average. Life at the veld post is rough and far from being comfortable; but the soldiers know that it is their duty to "stick it," and stick to it they do, mixing their hardships with the sports organised for them by their officers and those who run their own sports clubs.

THE HOTTENTOT AND HIS VICTIM.

From the German territory come many reports. One thing is certain, and that is that the rebellion is assuming greater proportions, and that about 150 persons have been massacred by the natives, who serve out torture as a preliminary to death. All the bodies found have been mutilated, and the Hottentots appear to have a liking for one of the forms of torture used by the Matabele in the war days. That is, they strip the victim, blind him, and lay him, smeared with sweet stuff lying among broken ant-hills, where the little termites slowly do him to death. Considering the help given to the Germans on our border, and the offers made by the colonial authorities to facilitate their movements into the German territory, the reports from Berlin accusing us of being at the bottom of the rising have caused much

feeling in this country. It is concluded that the accusation is based upon the fact that a small German party who were driven across the border by the natives were disarmed by our police before they were afforded the friendly hospitality of our camp. But we could not have acted otherwise. If we had merely allowed the Germans to use the colony as a rest camp or a rallying point, it is easy to see what complications would have arisen.

Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 21st day of March, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN Foreshore and Sea Bed at North Point in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square Feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	North Point	400 ft. x 444 ft. x 445 ft. x 201 ft. x 131 ft.	80,075	70,400	

Hongkong, 14th March, 1904. [373]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE, MR. GEO. P. LAMMERT will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON MONDAY, the 21st day of March, 1904, at 3 o'clock P.M., at his SALES ROOM, DUDELL STREET, THE VERY VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY, being Nos. 3 and 4, West End Terrace, Bonham Road, situate at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong.

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE PARTICULARS:—ALL that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situate at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and Registered at the Land Office as Section B of Inland Lot No. 689 containing in area 7,500 square feet and is held for the residue of the term of 99 years, commencing on the 28th day of June, 1861, created therein by a Crown lease of the said Inland Lot No. 689 dated the 28th day of October, 1861, together with the messuages or tenements and other erections and buildings thereon known as Nos. 3 and 4, West End Terrace, and which said piece or parcel of ground is held subject to the payment of \$18.08 the annual Crown Rent and to the observance and performance of the covenants and conditions contained in the said Crown Lease. Monthly rental of No. 3 West End Terrace \$50 including taxes. Monthly rental of No. 4 West End Terrace \$50 including taxes. For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to MR. GEO. K. HALL BRUTON, Solicitor for the Vendor, or to MR. GEORGE P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 14th March, 1904. [372]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON MONDAY, the 21st March, 1904, commencing at 3.30 P.M. at their SALES ROOMS, DUDELL STREET, (To make room for New Stock), THE FOLLOWING GOODS, Comprising:—

TRIMMED HATS (This Season's Parisian), UMBRELLAS, MATINEES, VARIOUS MATERIALS (in Dress Lengths), CHILDREN'S CORSETS, LADIES' SINGLES, PETTICOATS, SILK and FLANNEL BLOUSES, NECK RUFFLES, FURS, READY-MADE CAPES, COATS and COSTUMES, RAIN COATS, BELTS, &c. &c. TERMS:—As usual. On View on Day of Sale. GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [389]

Consignees.

"BARBER" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE S.S. "SAINT BEDE," FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th inst., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. A General Average Bond lying at the Office of the undersigned has to be signed and a deposit paid before delivery of the Goods can be obtained. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents. Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [387]

NOTICE.

THE Public are hereby informed that no change has been made in the Rates of Subscription to the *Hongkong Telegraph* and they are warned against paying more than TEN CENTS (10 cts.) per Single Copy.

THE MANAGER, Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 30th September, 1903.

Intimations.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY, 26th March, at 7.45 for 8 P.M. Members who wish to be present are requested to send in their names to the undersigned at the CHARTERED BANK, not later than THURSDAY, 24th instant.

H. F. CHARD, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [385]

BY kind permission of Gentlemen present at the BATTLE OF CHEMULPO, MR. A-FONG, the well-known local Photographer, HAS ON SALE the best collection of War Pictures in the Colony. No. 4, Ice House Road. Hongkong, 14th March, 1904. [371]

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1904. [9]



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Hongkong, 14th March, 1904. [14]

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Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [114]

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BIRTHS.
On the 8th Feb. at Renfrew, Scotland, the
wife of WM. MACAULAN, F. M. Customs, of a son.
On the 11th February, at the Hongkong
Bank House, Colombo, the wife of J. D.
TAYLOR, of a son.
On the 14th March, at Ipoh, Perak, F.M.S.,
the wife of ALEXANDER KOSK, of a son.
On the 8th March, at 71-2 River Valley,
Singapore, the wife of F. ABELLES, of a
daughter.

MARRIAGE.
At St. Peter's Church, Hongkong, on 17th
inst., by the Rev. J. H. France, M.A., assisted
by the Rev. T. Wright, B.A., HUGH S. WYNE,
of Gourock, Scotland, to ANNE MARIE, eldest
daughter of the late Alfred Parker, and Mrs.
W. Nicholls, Hongkong. [39]

DEATH.
On the 10th February, at Shipley, Yorkshire
E. MOORE, aged 65 years father of Mrs.
Tomlinson, Singapore.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1904.

AN ANGLO-FRENCH COLONIAL
TREATY.

The information contained in a Reuter
telegram, published elsewhere in these
columns, to the effect that a convention,
dealing with pending Colonial questions, is
on the point of being signed by the repre-
sentatives of the Governments of Great Britain
and the French Republic, will come as an
agreeable surprise to the majority of Eng-
lishmen. The immense improvement in the
relations of the two Powers that has taken
place since the beginning of 1903, largely
due to the personal efforts of our King,
and which brought about the much de-
sired *entente cordiale* and the subsequent
Treaty of Arbitration signed in October
last, was a source of real satisfaction
to all level-headed business men on both
sides of the Channel. Also, there can be
no doubt that the conclusion of a solid
treaty, settling, once and for all, Colonial
questions which might by the force of cir-
cumstances have become reasons for dan-
gerous dissensions between the two countries,
will meet with the entire approval of the
people of both nations. While public at-
tention has been centred on the course of
events in the Far East, and the possible
attitude of England in a given eventuality,
it is gratifying to realise that M. Delcassé
and Lord Lansdowne were working to bring
about so important a result as the coming
agreement. For several months past, we
are informed, negotiations to regulate all
outstanding difficulties have been proceeding
between the two Foreign Offices. It would
seem that, thanks to the open-minded spirit
in which they have been treated, the ques-
tions most capable of arousing complications
have proved the most amenable to adjust-
ment, since the telegram informs us that an
accord has been concluded with regard to
Egypt, Morocco and Siam, which, for
some time past, seemed possible causes of
grave conflict between the two nations.
It is just probable that the first two have
served as a diplomatic balance, and it may
be that the predominant interests of France
in Morocco are to be recognised in return
for an acknowledgment of the *status quo*
in Egypt. It is also likely that no serious
difficulties were encountered by the states-
men of either Power in the settlement of the
Siamese question, since the respective
spheres of influence were clearly defined by
the treaty of 1886. Besides, quite lately,
France has regulated her position towards
Siam by a new treaty, which, while content-
ing the progressive Colonial Party in the
Chamber, safeguards the susceptibilities of
the Siamese. It is true that the other ques-
tions pending between Great Britain and
France offered problems that were less easy
of solution. That of the New Hebrides was
complicated by the question of Australian in-
terests. There were political features attached
to the disputed spheres in Newfoundland
that must have caused M. Delcassé considerable
embarrassment; for, Deputies from
Brittany and Normandy, whose electors
possess important fishing interests in these
waters, are quite to have insisted on a sub-
stantial *quid pro quo* before abandoning the
much contested rights to "the French shore."
Taking these difficulties into consideration,
there are serious reasons for congratulating
the capable heads of the two Foreign Offices,
who succeeded in effecting a sound under-
standing on these vexed questions, and which
will, let us hope, inter, for all time, any
danger of a *malentendu* between two nations,
who have always been the world's champions
of liberty and progress.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Portuguese Government has approved
the construction of the railway from Beira to
Sena on the Zambezi.

A 28-TON gun is being brought to Hongkong
to be mounted in the works and a number of
guns of the same calibre are being sent to
other coaling stations in the East.

AN inquest was held at Victoria Gaol this
morning on the body of Wong Kan, a prisoner
who was yesterday sentenced to seven days' im-
prisonment for petty larceny and was found
dead at 6.40 a.m. to-day. Death was found to
be due to natural causes.

THE *Singapore Free Press* suggests that it
would probably be a good thing if something
like the Conference of the Indian Chambers of
Commerce were instituted for the Far Eastern
Chambers of Commerce. This, say triennially,
held at Hongkong as a centre for the Straits,
China and Japan.

By kind permission of Major Radcliff and
officers the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry
will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow
(Saturday) evening from 8 to 9.30 p.m.

HAND PROGRAMME.
March: "On the Road" ... Old Home
Overture ... "Haydn" ... Rules
Song ... "The Little Maid" ... Rules
Song ... "An der West" ... Guitars
Selection ... "The Messenger Boy" ... Ivan Caryll
Valse ... "Réveuse" ... Follet
Andante and Polka ... Le Thiere
God save the King.

IN his annual report on British Guiana issued
by the Colonial Office, Governor Sir J. A.
Swettenham states that the output of gold for
last year shows an increase of 3,193 oz. on that
for 1901-2 the production for 1902-3 being
104,531 oz. The increase is due in some
measure to the opening up of new ground in
the Parima River, and also the production
from the Ormai hydraulic works, which started
regular work in September. The output from
this property has been fairly satisfactory, and
will probably improve in the near future. Dur-
ing the year the record nugget in the history
of the gold industry of the colony was found
on a claim on the Barima River. It weighed
334 oz. and was composed almost entirely of
pure gold.

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WEDDING.

Another pretty wedding was celebrated yester-
day forenoon, at St. Peter's Church, when
Mr. Hugh S. Wyne, foreman shipwright, of the
Kowloon Docks, was married to Miss
Annie Maude Parker. The service was choral,
and was conducted by the Rev. J. H. France,
M.A., assisted by the Rev. T. Wright, B.A., in
the presence of a fairly large congregation.
The bride, who was given away by her step-
father, Mr. W. Nicholls, was attired in a pretty
dress of cream mervé satin, trimmed with
chiffon and orange blossoms. She wore a
diamond ring and a gold brooch, the gift of the
bridegroom, and carried a beautiful bouquet.
The bridesmaids were Miss Ethel Parker (sister
of the bride), and Miss Anna Guy. Both were
pretty dress d, and wore gold brooches, gifts
of the bridegroom, and the best man (Mr. W.
Nicholson). On leaving the church an abundance
of rice and confection was showered on the
young couple. A reception was afterwards
held at the Hongkong Hotel, the guests num-
bering about seventy. The presents were
numerous and costly, amongst which was a
very handsome silver salver and tea service,
from the Dock Co. and Dock staff, respectively.
Mr. and Mrs. Wyne afterwards left for Macao
by the *Hongkong*, which was decorated for the
occasion.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be
held on Monday next, at 3 p.m., when the Hon.
Mr. Pollock's motions will be brought forward,
and the Hon. G. Stewart will ask:—
1. Will the Government take into con-
sideration the advisability of improving as far
as possible the present means of maintaining
and scavenging the public roads, as these are
often very unsightly from pieces of paper,
banana skins and chewed sugar cane lying
about?

2. In view of the heavy fogs and the
difficulties and dangers of transport on the
Peak roads at night, will the Government take
into consideration some scheme for lighting
the roads after dark, either by gas, or by strong
oil lamps, such as the Kilsen light, and
prepare an estimate of the cost?

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The Hon. Attorney General will move the
second reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance
to further amend The New Territories Land
Court Ordinance, No. 18, of 1900; and the
second reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance
to enable effect to be given in this Colony
to a Convention signed the 15th day of
March, Nineteen hundred and two, in relation
to sugar.

THE STRAITS CURRENCY.

SPEECH BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SINGA-
PORE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The annual meeting of the Singapore Cham-
ber of Commerce took place at the Exchange
Room on the 8th inst., there being present a
considerable number of members. Mr. John
Anderson presided. Addressing the members
after the presentation of the annual report, he
said in reference to the

CURRENCY CONVERSION SCHEME.

The progress of the currency scheme must
continue for some time to come to engage the
serious attention of the Chamber. The Govern-
ment fully recognised the expediency of
prohibiting the importation of Mexican dollars
in September last, and gave their support to
the repeated recommendations of the Committee
of the Chamber in that direction. Unfortunately
the Colonial Office viewed the question in a
different aspect, and were unable to sanction the
prohibition. The logical consequence of that
decision was that the Colony became flooded
with a superabundance of unnecessary coin
whereas had the advice of the Chamber
been followed, the redundancy would have
been checked, and our trade relieved from the
sudden and frequent fluctuations that sub-
sequently occurred. During the past five
months, however, large quantities of British
dollars and Mexicans aggregating 5 m.
\$15,000,000 have been exported from the
Colony through shipment of the coin to
London, China, India, and the Philippines,
in addition to the usual shipment to Bombay
for re-mintage into Straits dollars. That un-
expected movement has materially assisted the
purpose of the Government by the reduction
of the holdings in the Colony of the old cur-
rency, and the British and Mexican dollars
now remaining are probably insufficient to
supply the new coinage required to take their
place. Little apprehension need therefore now
be felt that loss will accrue to the holders of
the old coinage at the period of demonetization.
Thus the first great obstacle has been
successfully overcome. Of the new dollars
\$11,675,000 have already been brought into the
Colony, though as yet no very appreciable
quantity is in active circulation, but with the
disappearance of the old coinage, the Straits
dollar must become the established factor in
our currency. The wheels of currency reform
move slowly, and the movement has been some-
what retarded by the short delivery of the new
dollars from the Bombay mint. A considerable
time must, in my opinion, elapse before we can
hope to attain the desired object in view.

Large supplies of the new coinage are still
necessary, and as we know such are now only
received at the very moderate progress of some
two million dollars during the course of each
month. Indeed it will become the duty of this
Chamber, at an early date, to endeavour to
ascertain, at least approximately, the amount
of coin requisite under the new conditions,
and to bring these figures authoritatively to
the notice of the Government. The re-
sponsibilities of the Government are large and
complex in this important matter, but it appears
to me that it will go a long way towards ensur-
ing against subsequent difficulties and dis-
turbance to our trade, if the Coinage of the new
dollar is continued until the normal minimum
quantity is attained before the decisive step of
fixity is taken. The Government will then be
in a position to readily fulfil their obligations
to give dollars in exchange for notes or gold,
whenever such may be presented, and at the
same time to provide ample protection for
the Government Note Issue. That Note
Issue has rapidly expanded of late, until
it has attained the large proportions of
\$16,500,000, and it will be the duty of
the Chamber to watch closely that proper mea-
sures are adopted to safeguard that circulation
with all adequate precautions in the general
interests of the credit of the Colony. I would
add that this Chamber fully appreciates the
responsible nature of the task devolving upon
the Government in effecting the change of cur-
rency, and that we cordially recognize the good
judgment exercised in meeting the difficulties
that have so far arisen. We cherish the reason-
able hope that the same discrimination will
be used when the time comes for fixing the all-
important question of the ratio in relation to
gold. The Government will however be well
advised to avoid the completion of the structure
until they are fully satisfied that the founda-
tions of the Currency Scheme are well and
securely laid, until they have obtained the
complete control of the Money Market, and
until the desired position can be attained con-
sistently with safety and success.

SUBSIDIARY SILVER COIN.

The attention of the Committee has been
directed of late to the excessive supply of sub-
sidiary coinage in the Colony, and to the great
inconvenience experienced by the mercantile
community in that respect. The Committee
addressed the Government on the subject, urg-
ing that a certain proportion of the coin should
be withdrawn, as suggested in the report of
the Currency Committee. Instructions have
since been issued to the Treasury to stop
further issue of small silver coin, but that mea-
sure will hardly meet the case, unless a certain
definite amount is actually withdrawn by the
Government from circulation.

FOOTBALL.

THE SHIELD TIE.

The final tie in this competition will be
played on the club ground to-morrow, the kick-
off being timed to take place at 4 p.m. The
teams engaged are from H.M.S. *Abdion* and
Cressy, the former having beaten H.M.S.
Ocean in the semi-final yesterday afternoon.
Both of the teams to combat for final honours
are good eleven, and a most interesting game
ought to be witnessed.
Mrs. Atkins, has kindly consented to dis-
tribute the medals to the winners after the
match.

DESPERATE ROBBERY.

IN THE NEW TERRITORY.

Particulars of another armed robbery in the
New Territory were revealed at the Criminal
Sessions this morning when the Chief Justice
had before him a Chinaman indicted for being
concerned, with others not in custody, in an
armed robbery at Chui Tim near Sha-tau-ko,
on the night of the 17th inst. The man denied
the charge and the following jury was sworn:—
Messrs. R. Sullivan, J. L. Stewart, W. A. Sto-
pani, A. Raymond, G. Klink, B. E. Hastings,
and J. E. Ritchie. It was stated that prisoner
with seven or eight others, wearing masks and
armed with revolvers, entered a house in the
village and attacked a farmer and his two sons,
after which they stole a quantity of money and
clothing. Having raided the place the men
prepared to leave and one of them fired at the
farmer and inflicted a wound on his forehead.
The elder son followed the men with the result
that prisoner was subsequently arrested.
(Proceeding.)

VIOLENCE AT YAUMATEI.

LYING WITNESSES.

It was alleged against Chan Hing and Ng
Ying Cheung that they were guilty of robbery
with violence at Yaumatei on the 18th ult. At
the Criminal Sessions this morning, they plead-
ed not guilty and the following jury was im-
pannelled: Messrs. E. H. Summers, A. Stuck-
en, A. Abraham, F. MacRobie, T. Skin-
ner, H. O. Siebler and J. Landolt. It was
stated by the Attorney General (Sir H. S.
Berkeley) that at about 7 o'clock on the evening
of February 18 an elderly woman was on her
way from her son's house at Yaumatei, when
she was attacked by two men who assaulted
her, broke her teeth, and robbed her of \$39.
They then decamped, and the prisoners were
subsequently arrested, but the woman could
not identify them. The jury ultimately
brought in a verdict of not guilty and the
prisoners were discharged.

In the course of the evidence two witnesses
were sent to prison for three months with hard
labour for committing perjury, one of whom
alleged that a Chinese constable had prompted
him since he was examined at the Magistracy,
while the other had also a different story to
tell. In giving the witnesses the sentence
as stated above, the Chief Justice said he hoped
it would act as a warning to other people.

THE SERVANT DIFFICULTY.

The Puisne Judge had a case before him
this morning which furnishes a good illustra-
tion of the necessity there is for the regis-
tration of domestic servants in Hongkong.
Mr. A. H. Ough was sued by a native, who
alleged he was his cook, for \$9, being balance
of wages due for last month. He said he was
engaged as cook, about December, at \$18 per
month, and as he objected to be "rowed" at, he
left his employer's service. Mr. Wise observed
that he spoke to his own servants pretty freely,
and plaintiff replied that there should be a
principle about "rowing." He said that Mr.
Ough sent for him to go back and he returned
to work, but at the end of last month instead
of receiving \$18 he got only \$9. Mr. Ough
explained that he engaged a boy who was to
supply a full complement of servants. His
head cook left at the end of January, leaving
the market coolie, the present plaintiff, in his
place. He did not engage plaintiff as cook,
and paid him his correct wages. The boy left
at the end of February, and defendant told him
to take his servants away with him.—Judgment
was given for defendant with costs.

THE REFORM PROBLEM IN KOREA.

It is somewhat amusing at the present
moment to learn that, on the advice of the
Japanese Government, the people of Korea are
to be granted the boon of free speech. A
cynic might say that it is an attempt to
propagate abroad a doctrine that, so far as
concerns present events, is not practised at
home. However, in pressing the advantages
of free speech upon Korea, the Japanese
representative is probably looking forward to
the time when the Japanese Government will
be free to enter upon the work of transforming
Korean administration as Japanese adminis-
tration has been transformed. It will be a difficult
undertaking, for the Japanese cannot be certain
of the loyalty of a single Korean Minister or of
the sincerity of any member of the Imperial
family. There is nothing surprising in this
for the position is one that is forced upon
Korea, and reforms which come from the out-
side instead of from the inside can scarcely be
regarded as commending themselves to those
who are likely to suffer personal disadvantage
because of those reforms. In 1894, after ob-
taining possession of the King, the Japanese
attempted to exercise control through the
King's father, the Tai Won Kun; but in a very
short time it was found that the choice was a
somewhat unhappy one. A roof came into the
hands of the Japanese that the Tai Won Kun
had intrigued against them from the day on
which he was placed at the head of adminis-
tration affairs by the aid of Japanese bayonets.
Possibly the fact was known to the Japanese
all along, but they were quite at a loss to find
another member of the ruling family who could
be used as a figure-head for the ship of State
which was to be steered from Tokyo. How-
ever, when it was discovered that the Tai Won
Kun had actually been in correspondence with
the Chinese generals at Pingyang, the fiction
of governing Korea through a member of the
Royal family had to be abandoned. It was
at this time that Chuai Inouye was sent to
Seoul with the hope of evolving order out of
the prevailing chaos. By his advice, Prince
Pak, then known as one of the leaders in the
abortive insurrection of 1894, was recalled
from exile and placed at the head of the Go-
vernment to carry out the programme of
reforms presented some time previously for the

King's approval. That programme was a very
comprehensive one, and the fact that it got but
little beyond the limits of a paper constitution
may perhaps be regarded as proof that Japan
was trying to hurry things too fast. The
programme ultimately adopted by the Korean
Council provided among many other things
that all persons were to be regarded as equal
before the law; that all forms of slavery were
to be abolished; that the people should have
free access to the Council by means of petition;
that the finances of the country must be
reorganised and a careful estimate of its
resources; that a uniform of weights and
measures should be established, and that taxes
should be paid in money instead of in
kind. The first hostilities between Japan
and China regarding Korea took place on the
25th of July, 1894, while the list of reforms the
nature of which we have indicated above was
laid before the Korean Council as early as
August. How close the study of Korean
questions must have been in Tokyo is in-
dicated from the fact that such a comprehensive
plan of reforms should have been presented
within a few weeks of the Japanese occupation
of the peninsula. Every point had evidently
been studied and decided. The distinctions
between civil and military officials were or-
dered to be abolished; even the cut, shape, and
decoration of military uniforms were prescribed;
the flating of documents by Chinese periods
was to be avoided and a Korean era substi-
tuted; the retinues of officials were to be re-
duced, a law of adoption promulgated, the
duties of departments defined, official seals
decided, literary examinations for appoint-
ments abolished; even the marriageable age
for males and females formed a section of these
far-reaching and fully-detailed reforms.

The project wholly failed when attempted to
be put into execution. For one thing there
was no money, and money was essential when
such widespread changes in the ancient
administration were instituted. Then every
obstacle was placed in the way of their smooth
working by officials who had enjoyed the
advantages of a system that was personally
remunerative if generally corrupt. It would
seem evident that the Japanese tried to do too
much in Korea at one time. Neither the
people nor the officials were ready for the
drastic changes that were introduced, and the
consequence was failure. And while the rea-
sons for the collapse of the scheme were pro-
bably many and various, it is evident that reforms
from without can never be so effective as reforms
from within. Japan's transformation from old
to new was a success because it was earnestly
desired by the administrators native to the
country who took it in hand. But the number
of Korean officials in favour of reform is in-
finitesimal, and a scheme of reform such as
was outlined ten years ago will meet with
enormous difficulties from the passive resistance
of Korean inertia. Perhaps the Japanese Go-
vernment has learnt by experience, and will
not on this occasion present a cut and dried
plan of reform for the acceptance of Koreans,
but will try first to encourage inquiry and sow
the seed of an educated discontent with present
conditions. From this point of view the grant
of free speech and the encouragement of in-
dependent criticism would seem to be an ex-
cellent initial step.—*Kobe Chronicle*.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by
correspondents in this column.)

OPIUM-PILLS v. OPIUM-SMOKING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."
SIR,—In connection with the recent cam-
paign against the new Opium Farmer for his
protest against opium-pills and wine being
manufactured and sold by some enterprising
firms in contravention of certain sections of the
Hongkong Opium Ordinance, it is rumoured
that a meeting of opium-smokers was held the
other day at the rooms of the Hongkong
Opium Smokers Association, at which the
following resolutions were submitted and
unanimously passed:—

- (A) "That in consequence of the unreason-
ableness on the part of the present Opium
Farmer in raising the price of prepared
opium, thereby preventing most of our
associates from enjoying it, it is resolved
that opium-pills should be introduced in
substitution for opium."
(B) "And that in view of the facts set forth
above it is proposed to form a com-
pany dealing exclusively in opium-pills
and wine for the sole purpose of crush-
ing the business of the present Opium
Farmer, whose numerous regulations are
considered as a nuisance to all concerned."

The meeting is said to be fully attended by
almost all the Hongkong opium-smokers, pre-
sent, past and future—and the Chairman was
received with a guard of honour composed of a
company of well-picked men of the Opium
King's personal guards. The discussion in the
assembly lasted several hours, and the meeting
was brought to a close with the singing of the
"Opium Ballad"—Yours, etc.,
L. K. F.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1904.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

French (*S. Louis*) 22nd inst.
Indian (*S. S. S. S.*) 22nd inst.
American (*China*) 25th inst.
Canadian (*Athenian*) 29th inst.

The C. & M. Co.'s *Zofra* left Manila on
Thursday at 5 p.m. and is due here on Sun-
day at daylight.
The M. M. Co.'s *Salas* with the next
French Mail leaves Saigon on 10th inst. at 1
p.m. for this port.
The Imperial German Mail *Goa* which
left here on 17th ult. at 10.00, arrived at Genoa
on Wednesday at 7 a.m.
The H. A. L. *S. S. S.* from Hamburg
left Singapore for this port yesterday at 11, and
may be expected here on 23rd inst. at 11.
The P. & O. *S. S. S. S.* from Calcutta, via
Suez, left Yokohama on 16th ult. at daylight
and may be expected here on 25th inst.

TELEGRAMS.

DEATH OF THE DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, 17th March, 11 a.m.

H. R. H. the Duke of Cambridge is dead.

[H.R.H. George William Frederick Charles, Duke of Cambridge, K.G., P.C., K.T., G.C.M.G., G.C.H., G.C.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., D.C.L., LL.D., grandson to George III. and first cousin to the late Queen, was born at Hanover March 26th, 1819. He became a colonel in the British army in 1837, and succeeded his father Adolphus Frederick, 1st Duke of Cambridge, in 1850. Four years later (1854) he was raised to the rank of major-general, on his appointment to command the two brigades of Highlanders and Guards united to form the first division of the army sent against the Tzar Nicholas of Russia in the Crimean war of 1854-56. He was present at Alma, Balaklava, Inkerman, and Sebastopol. In 1856 he was promoted to the rank of General; in 1861 appointed Colonel-in-Chief of the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers; and in 1862 raised to the rank of Field Marshal. He was subsequently appointed Commander-in-Chief of the British army, and the appointment perpetuated by letters patent in 1867. It came to an end, however, with the scheme of Army Reform evolved during 1875, and the Duke retired in the autumn. He was chief personal aide-de-camp to the King. He was Ranger of Hyde Park and Richmond Park.—En, H.K. 7.]

(Reuters.)

France.

LONDON, 16th March.

The French Government yesterday was defeated by a majority of eleven on an amendment, adopted by 282 to 271, making the period for suppressing clerical teaching ten years instead of five as proposed by the Government.

M. Pelletan (Minister of Marine), replying to recent attacks upon him, said that since taking office he had re-inforced the squadron in the Far East, which would be completed by a division of destroyers. He had also provided for the safety of the Colonies by organising mobile defences in the shape of destroyers and submarines, in which nothing had previously been done. The delays in the construction of ships were due to improvement in the designs. The personnel of the navy was fairly satisfactory. The Channel and Mediterranean Squadrons could sail at a moment's notice.

LATER.

Great Britain and France.

Reuters Agency understands that the prolonged negotiations between Great Britain and France have resulted in a good understanding on all the questions, Colonial and otherwise, which have long been pending between the two countries. All questions have been settled in principle, and the signature to the agreements, which cover Newfoundland, Egypt, Morocco, Siam and Nigeria is expected in a few days.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

Yesterday being the festival of the patron saint of Ireland, the secretary of St. Patrick's Society, Shanghai, telegraphed the following message to H. E. the Officer Administering the Government:—

"Greeting self Hongkong Irishmen—St. Patrick's Society."

To which Mr. F. H. May replied: "Hongkong Irishmen heartily reciprocate greetings.—MAY."

CRICKET.

The following is the League table up to date:—

Club.	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.
A. O. C.	14	13	1	0	39
Civil Service	14	11	2	1	34
Craigengower	14	8	4	2	26
H.K. C.C. "A"	13	7	6	0	21
R. E.	14	7	7	0	21
R. A. M. C.	13	3	9	1	10
Parsees	14	2	12	0	6
H.M.S. Tamara	2	12	0	0	6

3 Points for a win.

1 " " a draw.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

The British North Borneo Herald forecasts a policy of "wise" economy in Government outlay there in the near future. The Chartered Company has spent money freely in opening the country. That journal makes out that, for a company of limited means, this expenditure can only be described as liberal in the extreme and that it might surprise those who persistently cavil at the present taxation to know that the amount of capital expenditure exceeds \$3,000,000. It is only fair, says the *Herald*, to the shareholders, who after long years of waiting naturally expect a small return on their investment in the shape of dividends, that this expenditure of their money should be publicly made known.

In other words "wise" economy is to be enforced for the sake of more dividends to the shareholders. The *Herald* treats this as a side-issue, and thus emphasises the public good from such economy: "If we take the figures of revenue and expenditure for the last 3 years which are as follows:—

	1901.	1902.	1903.
Revenue	\$505,569	\$824,146	\$870,810
Expenditure	425,371	540,179	602,115

We shall see that the country has reached the turn of the tide when the revenue is in permanent excess of the sum expended out of capital account. A period of economy will heighten that degree of prosperity which all recognise to be attainable in the immediate future."

CHINA ASSOCIATION.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

At the City Hall last evening Mr. R. C. Wilcox presided over the annual meeting of the Hongkong branch of the China Association. There were also present Messrs. G. W. F. Playfair, D. R. Law, J. E. Tomkins, A. G. Wood, E. S. Wheeler and J. Penherton (hon. secretary), committee members: G. L. Tomlin, A. Forbes, G. H. Dunn, Hon. Gershom Stewart, Messrs. J. R. Michael, J. E. R. Hunter, M. Stewart, A. J. Raymond, G. C. Moxon, C. H. Thompson, W. G. Humphreys, and E. W. Mitchell.

The Hon. Secretary read the notice calling the meeting.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—I propose with your leave that the report and statement of accounts be taken as read. Before addressing myself to the business of the day, I desire on behalf of the Committee, to express our great regret at the circumstances that have placed me in the chair to-day. I allude to the enforced resignation by Mr. Playfair of the chairmanship owing to the affection of his eyesight. This, I am glad to say, much improved already, but he will need to be careful for some time not to tax it unnecessarily, and has given us plainly to understand that he will not be able to resume the duties he discharged so efficiently. I am sure we are all very much indebted to Mr. Playfair for the way in which he has conducted the business of the Association during the past year and a half. (Applause.) I do not wish to inflict a long speech upon you, but there are some points in the Committee's report upon which I propose to touch and to which, owing to receipt of advices from London since it was compiled, I can add some particulars. I would first, however, like to record our indebtedness to Mr. James Scott, our late Consul-General at Canton, for the unfailing courtesy which has always marked his relations with the Association and the sleepless energy with which he guarded British interests. (Hear, hear.) We only hope that the Association will find in the future equally able, equally zealous, and equally patriotic coadjutors among the members of the British Consular staff. (Applause.) The British Representatives in Kwangtung can do much to serve British interests if they are not too closely wedded to red tape, and can help the Association most effectively if they are so inclined. Mr. Scott took that course, and the Association found it a pleasure to work with him. British trade in the Two Kwang is always menaced, more or less, by insidious attempts on the part of the native officials to hamper it by imposing new duties or creating fresh obstructions. Thanks to the prompt measures taken by Mr. Scott and Sir Ernest Satow several such attempts were defeated last year. Further similar attempts to create fresh sources of revenue for hungry mandarins will assuredly be made, and it is necessary for our Consular Authorities to be constantly on the alert, and for this Association to be equally vigilant to warn, to aid, or to back up their representations. Since our last meeting we have scored an important success in securing the opening of eight new ports of call on the West River, which has led to a considerable development of trade on that waterway. Kongmoon was also opened to foreign trade on the 7th inst. and excellent results may be expected to result from that concession. So far Nanning, on the West River which was to have been made a treaty port, has not been opened, and the British Government appear to be in some doubt whether this concession is worth pressing for, probably because it is not as yet accessible by steamer. I think, however, that the position of Nanning as a distributing centre and the head of the junk traffic on the West River, makes it of sufficient importance to justify agitation for its eventual constitution as a treaty port, and it is too early yet to abandon the idea of being able to ascend the river to that point in flat-bottomed light draft stern-wheel steamers, at any rate for a portion of the year. At the same time it can not be denied that the accounts of those who have ascended the river from Wuchow to Nanning agree in describing the country as poor, thinly populated, and only partially cultivated even where cultivable. Of infinitely more importance to this Colony would be the opening of Waichow as a Treaty Port. This city is the chief centre of trade on the East River and lies in the midst of a fertile and populous country. It is accessible by a good native road or path from the head of Mirs Bay, and it could easily be placed in railway communication with Kowloon, by way of Shamchun and Sheklong. In December last your Committee addressed a letter on this subject to the London Office, who forwarded it on to the Foreign Office. A reply has come to hand, since the report was printed, in which it is pointed out that His Majesty's Government can hardly press for this concession as it forms part of the consideration to be granted by the Chinese Government in return for the payment of the surtax under Art. VIII. of the Treaty of 1902, but that the British Minister at Peking will be requested to urge upon the Chinese Ministers the desirability of opening the port without further delay unless he is of opinion that there is no likelihood of their entertaining the proposal. I trust that the Chinese Government will prove to be more inclined to promote progress than has hitherto been the case, since it is evident that the concession must be voluntary on their part—at least for the present. Important as the opening of Waichow is likely to prove to Hongkong, however, the question pales into insignificance beside that of the construction of the Kowloon-Canton Railway. (Applause.) It was fondly imagined when the concession for this project was obtained some five or six years ago, (I see Lord Percy says it was signed on the 28th March, 1899) by a British Syndicate that steps would promptly be taken to carry it into effect. These anticipations have not been fulfilled. The Syndicate with unaccountable apathy have kept their talent wrapped in a napkin, until public opinion both here and in the United Kingdom has found

earnest expression against their delay and even the Chinese (with whom procrastination is a second nature) are asking why if the Syndicate do not mean to utilise it the Government should obtain the concession. Our late Governor, Sir Henry Blake, spoke out most impressively on this subject, when bidding the community farewell, and your Committee have not failed to follow up his suggestions. When writing on the subject of the opening of Waichow, the question of railway communication was gone into at some length, and a suggestion made for some subsidy, grant, or guarantee for that portion of the line passing through British territory. Copies of this letter were also handed to the Colonial Government and to the British and Chinese Corporation, by whom it is now being considered. I hope they will consider it to good purpose. You will observe in to-day's *Daily Press* a telegram stating that the German railway has been opened to Tsinanfu. What the Germans do we ought to be able to do. I understand that the Colonial Government have made representations on the subject to Downing Street, and I note that Earl Percy (Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs), replying to a question on the subject in the House of Commons on the 10th ult., stated that the matter was receiving very careful attention from the Government. But while there are these reassuring indications that the question is at last receiving some attention, it will not do for this Association to rest on their oars and be satisfied. It will be necessary to watch this matter ceaselessly and never lose an opportunity of pressing for immediate action. The colonists of Hongkong cannot afford to accept mere assurances on a subject so vitally affecting their interests; they should never rest content until they see the tunnels being driven through the Kowloon hills, and the track being laid from the Kowloon terminus. (Applause.) Turning to another question of local interest, namely, the grave violation of the King's sovereignty involved in the ruthless murder of the schoolmaster, Yeung Kue Wan, in Gage Street in September, 1900, the facts of which were disclosed at the trial of one of the assassins last May in the Supreme Court, you will observe by the appendix that the Committee did not fail to make representations on the subject, through the London Office, to the Imperial Government. No answer has, so far, been received from the Foreign Office, but we hear from the Colonial Government that the question is still engaging attention and that the Government may be relied upon to take proper action in the circumstances. The Committee hope therefore that such steps have been taken as will prevent the repetition of acts that are calculated, while lowering British prestige, to terrorise the native population of this Colony and cause them to lose confidence in the protective power of the British flag. On the question of the maintenance of Foreign Post Offices in China, some correspondence has passed, and we have made strong recommendations that, while deprecating a resort to the methods adopted by France in opening Post Offices where there are practically no French interests, the British Government should not surrender any sign or symbol of authority or influence in China unless other Powers were prepared to follow suit. Curiously enough, we have since received advices from the London Office stating that on this question they had again addressed the Foreign Office, suggesting that the Hongkong postage stamps should be surcharged with the names of the Treaty Ports just as the French have done with the Indo-China stamps. This is the action we deprecated, and we thought we had been very explicit in the matter. You will see by the correspondence that we have been. The continued occupation of Newchwang by the Russian authorities, and their interference with the trade of that port has led to the interchange of much correspondence, and excited a great deal of just indignation on the part of those engaged in trade with this Chinese Treaty Port. I do not propose to travel over the ground again, for time will not permit. The Association has protested, the Chamber of Commerce have protested, the Foreign Office have protested, but so far with no result beyond the receipt of suave assurances from the Russian Government. The latest of these, received by Lord Lansdowne on the 8th January, was quoted in the House of Commons by Earl Percy on the 8th ult., and is to the following effect:—"In order to prevent all misunderstanding and misconception, Russia considers it indispensable, independently of the conditions which will in the future definitely determine the character of her relations with Manchuria, to declare from this day forth that she has no intention whatever of placing any obstacle in the way of the continued enjoyment by Foreign Powers of the rights acquired by them in virtue of the Treaties now in force." If only we could repose any trust in such assurances! Unfortunately we have listened too often to similar utterances, which are made apparently for one purpose—to gain time. These tactics precipitated hostilities if they did not cause the present war. When that struggle comes to an end it will be the duty of the Treaty Powers to see that their rights in Manchurian Treaty ports are secured, and that no interference with Chinese control is permitted in the future. (Applause.) I regret to have to record that on the important matter of the currency in China no progress has been made during the past year. The Peking Government have engaged to put their currency on a proper basis, and it is most decidedly in their interest to do so; but in this, as in everything in China, delay must be expected. As you will remember, in January, we despatched a telegram to Mr. Chamberlain expressing our sympathy with his efforts to bring about a reform in the fiscal tariff so as to obtain something more like reciprocal treatment of British products and manufactures by foreign States. That telegram was followed up by a letter, which is published in the appendix to the report before you. We took advantage of the occasion to point out to the ex-Colonial Secre-

tary that even here, in the free port, British industries and undertakings were suffering by reason of the prohibitive tariffs of neighbouring States and the heavy subsidies made to foreign lines of steamers which are thus enabled to compete unfairly with local shipping on the coast and in the rivers of South China. I refrain from going into detail here, but this is one of the questions of the future which will have to be agitated. It is interesting to note the present attitude of the Government on this question, which cropped up in the House of Commons on the 8th ult. Earl Percy, replying to an amendment moved to the Address by Mr. Walton, who maintained that it was the duty of the Government to maintain or increase British trade, said:—"So long as the country adhered to its present fiscal policy that was not only the duty of the British Government, but it was a duty not in their power to discharge." He went on to intimate, in most unmistakable language, that unless the Government changed its fiscal policy and more or less adopted that of foreign countries in giving subsidies, drawbacks, and preferences, they could only see that an open door to trade was kept and not a door that was occasionally ajar. I think, however, gentlemen, that the time is coming when British trade will require something more than this, that it will need to be placed on fair and equal terms with that of other countries, and if those countries endeavour to foster their shipping or their manufactures by subsidies or bounties, we shall, in self-defence, have to ask our Government to at least impose extra tonnage or light dues on subsidised shipping or a special tax on bounty-fed manufactures in order to place them on an equality with our own ships or goods. (Applause.) I think there is nothing more that I can usefully add, and will simply propose that the report and accounts before you be now adopted. (Applause.)

Hon. Gershom Stewart—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen,—I have very much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts. The report came into my hands about two days ago, and when Mr. Wilcox asked me to second the motion for its adoption I hardly thought I would have time to know very much about what the Association has been doing. However, I am glad to say that when I opened the report and began to read it, the subject-matter of which it treated was of such interest that I read it right through without once putting it down. I congratulate the committee on the useful work they have done, especially since the latter half of 1903, when they have actively tackled several very important subjects. The three which occur to me as the most interesting are the occupation of Newchwang by the Russians in violation of all pledges and treaties, the construction of the railway between here and Canton, and the opening of Waichow. With regard to the first, I feel that protests such as ours will carry considerable weight with our Home Government, especially at a moment such as the present. It seems to me that, although our country has taken no active steps to vindicate its treaty rights openly, protests such as that which has been sent forward by this committee will strengthen them in their determination to support to the utmost of their ability what our allies are endeavouring now by all the efforts in their power to secure—free and open rights in Manchuria to all traders. (Applause.) With regard to the construction of the railway, I do not know enough about it to express an opinion about the deviation of route which the committee's letter of 12th December recommends. But I am heartily glad to see that the committee have addressed themselves to the British and Chinese Corporation upon the subject of this long hung-up concession. I am of opinion that failing every other means of making that railway it would be a sound thing for this Colony to guarantee a moderate interest on the cost of construction. In any case the amount the Colony would be liable for would not be very great, and if the railway prospered the guarantee of a certain interest might never be called up; and I consider that even in the event of a small debit in the first year or two the prospects of a fair revenue from that railway are extremely good.—(applause)

—because the Canton delta is, as we all know, both fertile and populous. In regard to the opening of Waichow, that is a thing that I hope the committee will always bear in mind and, if the railway is brought into the field of practical politics, will press for. (Applause.) It seems from all accounts to be necessary as a link in the railway between Kowloon and Canton, which if taken in the way the committee recommend would not interfere with the great interests we have in our steamers on the waterway, and would render it impossible for anybody else to develop any port on the banks of the river against this port. (Applause.) I was very pleased to see that the committee in their letter of 12th December quoted the weighty words which Sir Henry Blake gave on his going away on this subject, and I am very glad to see that the Officer Administering the Government (page 25 of this report) has taken the matter specially under his control; at least he has brought all the influence he has got to bear on that point. I think we are not unduly sanguine when we think that with all these different influences brought to bear on it, this railway will be made to go ahead by some means or other. (Applause.) Well, gentlemen, after reading these letters I felt that the committee were fortunate in having their views put forward in such a thoughtful and lucid way as the Chairman has done. With regard to the accounts: we are in a very happy position; money is coming in and very little going out. The account is mostly on one side. I have no doubt that as our balance increases we will find some useful means of utilising it. (Applause.) With these remarks, I have very much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts.

The motion was carried.

Mr. G. L. Tomlin moved that the present committee be re-elected as follows:—Messrs. R. C. Wilcox, D. R. Law, H. E. Tomkins, G. W. F. Playfair, A. G. Wood, E. S. Wheeler, and W. J. Saunders.

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Mr. F. W. Mitchell seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

The proceedings then terminated.

THE ROYAL MARINES.

Nobody quite knows what will happen to the Royal Marines in the future, says a naval correspondent, but it is generally believed that some important changes in the constitution of the corps are pending. The difference between seamen and marines is not nearly so wide as it used to be, so far as work afloat is concerned. If the Admiralty decided to-morrow to turn all the marines into bluejackets the thing could be done without any great difficulty. However, such a metamorphosis is not likely to occur. But it is intended to make alterations in the marines' equipment both for shore and sea service. The duty of recommending what form the changes should take has been assigned to a committee of Royal Marine and Naval officers. Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. Bor, commanding the Royal Marine Artillery, is president of the committee, which has begun its labours.

COMMERCIAL.

The week's quotations closed as follows:—

Hongkong Banks	... ..	\$605 s. London
Nationals	... ..	\$ 35 s.
Union Insurance	... ..	\$475 s.
Hongkong Fires	... ..	\$181 b. ex div.
China Fires	... ..	\$ 84
H. C. and M. Steamboats	... ..	\$ 261
Indo Chinas	... ..	\$ 831
China Manilas	... ..	\$ 21 b.
Douglases	... ..	\$ 33
China Sugars	... ..	\$110 s.
H'kong & W'poa Docks	... ..	\$205
H'kong & K'loon Wharfs	... ..	\$ 921 s.
Farnhams	... ..	Tls. 142
Hongkong Lands	... ..	\$147 s.
Hongkong Hotels	... ..	\$140 s.
Humphreys Estate	... ..	\$ 101 b.
Green Island Cements	... ..	\$ 25 b.
China Borneos	... ..	\$ 9 s.
Electrics (New)	... ..	\$ 61 s.
Hongkong Ropes	... ..	\$1421 s.
Hongkong Ices	... ..	\$220 s.
China Providents	... ..	\$ 81 s.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.	
London—Bank T.T.	1/9 1/2
Do. demand	1/9 15/16
Do. 4 months' sight	1/10 3/16
France—Bank T.T.	2/29
America—Bank T.T.	441
Germany—Bank T.T.	1.861
India T.T.	136
Do. demand	1361
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	711
Japan—Bank T.T.	901
Singapore—Bank T.T.	Nominal
Java—Bank T.T.	1091
Buying.	
4 months' sight L/C	1/10 5/16
6 months' sight L/C	1/10 7/16
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	45
4 months' sight do.	451
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne	1/10 9/16
4 months' sight France	2.34
6 months' sight "	2.351
4 months' sight Germany	1.91
Bar Silver	261
Bank of England rate	4 %

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—

	Per chest
Malwa New	@ 900/940
" Old	@ 970/1,040
" Oldest	@ 1,080/1,120
Patna New	@ 1,265
Benares New	@ 1,24
Persian (Paper)	@ 850/900

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"SUEVIA."

Captain von Döhren, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 27th inst., at Daylight.

For Freight, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINJE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1904. [190]

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"PALAMCOTTA."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after NOON, the 19th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Agents,

Hongkong, 18th March, 1904. [191]

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

DINNER.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 19th March.

MENU.

HOUS D'OEUVRES.

Caviare and Olive Croutons.

SOUP.

Colbert.

FISH.

Smoked Salmon and Butter Sauce.

ENTREES.

Vol-au-vent of Chicken a la Toulouse.

Rollad Fillet of Veal a la Napoléone.

Sweetbread Cromishes and Asparagus.

CURRY.

Madras.

JOINTS.

Roast Sirloin of Beef.

Roast Pheasant and Bread Sauce.

Boiled Leg of Mutton and Turnips.

COLD ENTREE.

Lobster Mayonnaise.

SWEETS.

Pudding a la Royal.

Chocolate Ice Cream and Finger Cakes.

Cherry Tarts, Topsy Cake.

DESSERT.

Coffee, Fruits.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF HO MUI SZ, OTHERWISE HO LIN SHING, LATE OF VICTORIA, HONGKONG, Deceased.

TENDERS will be received by the Under-Signed, at the Registry of the Supreme Court House until Noon of WEDNESDAY, the 30th March, 1904, for the purchase of the Business of the W. Q. Pawnshop, of No. 66, Hollywood Road, Victoria, including the GOODWILL, STOCK-IN-TRADE, SIGNBOARD, BOOK DEBTS, FURNITURE and effects therein.

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The Undersigned does not bind himself to accept the highest or any Tender.

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Dated 18th March, 1904.

ARATHOON SETH,

OFFICIAL Administrator.

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J. TREVOUX & CO.

HONGKONG-CANTON NIGHTLY SERVICE.

THE Commodious Steamer

Shipping—Steamers.

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AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

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TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NINGCHOW"	On 20th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 24th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	On 31st March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 5th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 10th April.

S.S. "NINGCHOW" left Singapore yesterday, and is due here on the 20th inst.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON & ANTWERP	"AJAX"	On 19th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"PAKLING"	On 29th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 12th April.
"GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 20th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"TELEMACHUS"	On 26th April.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"NINGCHOW"	On 23rd March.

S.S. "PING SUEY" will leave Victoria, B.C., for Japan and Hongkong on 24th March.
S.S. "TYDEUS" left Victoria, B.C., via Japan, on 21st February, and is due here on 25th inst.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, 18th March, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"TAIWAN"	19th March, at Daylight.
AMOI, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO.	"SUNGKIANG"	19th " " Noon.
ILOILO.	"WUHAN"	22nd " " 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI.	"CHANG"	22nd " " "
MANILA.	"KAIFONG"	23rd " " "
KOBE.	"CHINGTU"	23rd " " "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	8th April.

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Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 26th Mar., at 10 A.M.
PERLA	1980	A. H. Nottley	—	—
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	—	—

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GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1904.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

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SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,

FOR

PORTLAND, OREGON,
OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

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Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	Mar. 24, 1904.
"INDRAVELLI"	4,899	R. P. Craven	April 24, "
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	J. T. Horne	"

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Captain SAMUEL BELL SMITH.DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on Week
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FARE:—(Week Days) 1st Class (including
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Single Ticket, \$3; Return Ticket, \$5. Return
Ticket including Refreshments and Dinner, either on
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Hongkong, 14th March, 1904.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES
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FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND
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"SALAZIE,"
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Hongkong, 15th March, 1904.INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
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THE Company's Steamship

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Agents.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1904.DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

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" Bullock's Brains—Know 18

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" " corned—Ham Ngau Li 18

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" Heart—Ngau Sum 18

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" Feet—Ngau Kerk 18

" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu 18

" Tail—Ngau Mei 18

" Liver—Ngau Con 18

" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To 18

" Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai 18

" Mutton Chop—Yeung Pai Kw 18

" Leg—Yeung Pai 18

" Shoulder—Yeung Shau 18

" Pig's Chittlings—Chi cheong 18

" Brains—Chi Know 18

" Feet—Chi Kerk 18

" Fry—Chi Chak 18

" Head—Chi Tau 18

" Heart—Chi Sum 18

" Kidneys—Chi Yiu 18

" Liver—Chi Kon 18

" Pork Chop—Chi Pai Kwat 18

" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk 18

" Leg—Chu Pei 18

" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau 18

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" Kerk 18

" Heart—Yeung Sum 18

" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu 18

" Liver—Yeung Con 18

" Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai 18

" Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau 18

" Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau 18

" Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk 18

" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong 18

POULTRY.

Chicken—Kai Chai 18

Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai 18

Ducks—Ap 18

Doves—Pan Kai 18

Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan 18

Fowls, Canton—Kai 18

" Hainan—Kai Nam Kai 18

Geese—Ngol 18

Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye 18

Musk Deer—Wong Keng 18

Hare—Tu Chai 18

Partridge—Chai Kio 18

Pheasant—Shan Kai 18

Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kip 18

" Hoihow—Hoihow Pak Kip 18

Quail—Um Chai 18

Rice Birds—Wo Pa Chai 18

Salpae—Sa Chai 18

Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung 65

Hen—Na 65

Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sui-ap 65

Teal, Shanghai, Sui Ap Chai 65

Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sui 65

Apca.....per pair 65

FISH.

Barbel—Ka Yu 14

Beam—Bin Yu 14

Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu 14

Carp—Li Yu 14

Catfish—Chik Yu 14

Codfish—Mun Yu 14

Crabs—Hoi 14

Cuttie Fish—Muk Yu 14

Dab—Sa Mang Yu 14

Dace—Wong Mei Lun 14

Dog Fish—Tui Tu Sa 14

Eels, Congor—Hoi Man Yu 14

" Fresh water—Tan Sui Yu 14

" Yellow—Wong Sin 14

Frogs—Tien Kai 14

Garoupa—Sek Pan 14

Gudgeon—Pak Kip Yu 14

Herrings—Tso Pak 14

Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu 14

Labrus—Wong Fa Yu 14

Loach—Wu Yu 14

Lobsters—Lung Ha 14

Mackerel—Chi Yu 14

Monk Fish—Mun Yu 14

Mullet—Chai Yu 14

Oyster—Sung Hoo 14

Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu 14

Pike—Fa Paw Poong 14

Plaice—Pan Yu 14

Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong 14

Pomfret, White—Pak Chong 14

Prawns—Ming Ha 14

Ray—Pei Pa Sa 14

Rock Fish—Sek Kau Kung 14

Roach—Chun Yu 14

Salmon, (Cton), fresh water—Ma Yau 14

Shark—Sa Yu 14

Skate—Po

SHIPPING.

Hongkong, Fr. s.s. 742, Suzoni, 17th Mar.—
Haiphong and Hoihow 16th Mar, Gen.
Pige and Bullock—A. R. M.
Pakli, Ger. s.s., 1,018, Bandelin, 17th Mar.—
Bangkok 11th Mar, Rice—B. & S.
Albenga, Ger. s.s., 2,769, Petersen, 17th Mar.—
Shanghai 13th Mar, Gen.—C. & Co.
Klanga, Br. s.s., 2,734, McBride, 17th Mar.—
Barry 27th Jan, and Singapore 10th Mar.
Conl.—C. & Co.
Borneo, Ger. s.s., 2,168, Mule, 17th Mar.—
Sandakan 13th Mar, Gen. and Timber.
M. & Co.
Arrow, Br. 4-masted b.q., 2,971, McDonald,
17th Mar.—from New York, Kerosine Oil.
—S. O. Co.
Kashang, Br. s.s., 1,143, Brown, 18th Mar.—
Tientsin and Cheloo 12th Mar, Gen.—B.
& S.
Palamcetta, Br. s.s., 2,208, Pearson, 18th Mar.—
Singapore 13th Mar, Rice—rder.
Feiching, Ch. s.s., 981, Koelger, 18th Mar.—
Swatow 17th Mar, Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Ilha Verde, for Macao.
Pha Chom Kiao, for Swatow.
Loongang, for Manila.
Ying King, for Macao.
Taiwan, for Shanghai.
Charles Henderson, for Macao.
Kwong Tung, for Canton.
Rubi, for Manila.
Wingchei, for Macao.
Tetartus, for Kobe.
Kunyang, for Shanghai.
Kunyang, for Saigon.

Departures.

Mar. 18.
Triumph, for Swatow.
Germania, for Saigon.
Saint Rade, for Shanghai.
Andalusia, for Calcutta.
Eva, for Saigon.
Choyang, for Canton.
Ningbo, for Canton.
Rubi, for Manila.
Tetartus, for Kobe.
Australian, for Yokohama.
Loongang, for Manila.
Kunyang, for Swatow.

Passengers arrived.

Per *Borneo*, from Sandakan—Mr. and Mrs.
S. Tagiro, Messrs. Stoker, P. V. Davies, and 91
Chinese.
Per *Hongkong*, from Haiphong, &c.—Messrs.
Fernandes and Chapallouff, 60 Chinese and 2
Japanese.
Per *Kashang*, from Tientsin, &c.—Miss King.
Per *Palamcetta*, from Singapore—500 Chi-
nese and 2 Japanese.

Passengers departed.

Per *Roon*, from Hongkong for Bremen—Mr.
and Mrs. S. H. Abbott, Mr. Ager, Mrs. Aldridge
and child, Messrs. S. Andrews, H. Ayres, Dr.
and Bach, Mrs. Banens and children, Mrs. E.
Beauchamp, Messrs. C. Bell, J. Berkelbich,
d. Sprekel, B. M. Bergmann, C. Blakely,
E. J. J. Blount, Mrs. Blount, children and
servant, Messrs. Hugo Carl, Carter, Rev.
and Mrs. J. A. Cook, Messrs. T. A. Crellin,
P. R. Daniel and servant, Mrs. Danielsen, Mr. S.
Donnenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Duff, Rev. and
Mrs. Ebert and child, Mr. H. E. Fann, Mr. and
Mrs. Friesde, child and governess, Inspector
and Mrs. Gidley, Mrs. Jappe, Mr. P. R. Jarts,
Miss Hawkesley, Messrs. J. Holman, A. Haus-
child, Baron v. Heeckeren v. Welten, Mrs. S.
Houghton, Mr. M. Huck and children, Miss
E. M. Hunt, Miss Daisy Iff, Mr. Inouye,
Helen Junker, H. Kasubi, Mr. A. Crawford
Kerr, Mr. Landis and children, Sub-Lieut. Lang, Rev.
Laughton, Messrs. D. J. Launder, F. T. Leak,
A. C. Lepper, Miss Lepper, Messrs. Pascal
Lohest, Charles Lund, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lege,
Mr. P. Mahomed, Miss Mantford, Dr. Nehrlert,
Messrs. A. Meszitz, John Martini, K. Matsukata,
Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Moir, Mr. Moxon, Dr. and
Mrs. Naumann, Capt. Olsen, Mrs. Ochidari,
Messrs. J. Otokake, A. Oyama, Mr. and Mrs.
Patterson and children, Mr. and Mrs. G. P.
Pierman, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pope, Dr. Pos-
thuma, Miss V. Prost, Mr. and Mrs. A. Pugh, Rev.
G. L. and Mrs. Pullan and children, Mrs.
Purdy and Tochter, Messrs. A. Pustau, E. A.
Ram, Mr. and Mrs. D. Rickerby and children,
Mr. J. H. Rolker, Mrs. and Miss van Rossum,
Mr. Sagami, Mrs. H. Schultz, H. M. Simons,
Rev. G. F. Slade, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Slade
and children, Miss Slade, Mrs. Sydney Smith,
Mr. C. R. Stewart, Messrs. Paul Stühau, W.
C. Suter, Rev. H. H. Ilbe, Miss S. Taira, Mr.
and Mrs. Travers and children, Mr. Longue,
Miss Maud Tripp, H. Turdor, Capt. and Mrs.
Voor, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wacker and children,
Mrs. E. Walshe and children, Mr. and Mrs.
Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wegelin, Mr. and
Mrs. J. C. Worley, Miss White, Capt. and Mrs.
Wiese, Messrs. W. Wilson, S. Wilson, Miss
Williams, Mr. Witkowski, Mrs. and Misses 2
Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Woods and children, and
Mr. Yoshida.

Shipping Report.

Str. *Saint Rade* from Manila—Strong E.N.E.
wind, very high seas, overcast weather.
Str. *Hongkong* from Haiphong—Strong N.E.
wind and sea, with thick rainy weather in the
Hainan Straits, from there strong N.E. wind
and fine weather.

Str. *Borneo* from Sandakan—In the Sulu
Sea had moderate N.E. trade wind, and mode-
rate sea; in the China Sea experienced N. and
N.E. wind, moderate sea, long rolling N.E.
swell.

Vessels Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Palawan	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	Mar. 19
Atholl	Mohi	C. C. Co.	Mar. 19
Ningchow	Singapore	H. & S.	Mar. 20
Zafro	Manila	H. & S.	Mar. 20
Salazie	Singapore	M. M. Co.	Mar. 22
Suisang	Singapore	M. M. Co.	Mar. 22
Lipanas	Macao	C. J. J. L.	Mar. 23
China	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	Mar. 25
Glenurett	Singapore	McG. & G.	Mar. 26
Athenian	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co.	Mar. 29

Vessels in Port.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Afridi, Br. s.s., 2,354, Golding, 12th Mar.— Moj 7th Mar, Coal.—S. T. & Co.			
Annam, Fr. s.s., 3,522, Truck, 17th Mar.— Haiphong 13th Mar, Gen.—M. & Co.			
Asama, Br. s.s., 2,407, Carr, 13th Mar.—Barry 28th Jan, Coal.—H.M.S. Government.			
Balavia, Ger. s.s., 7,100, Dempwolf, 12th Mar.— Moj 7th Mar, Coal.—I. A. L.			
Chingto, Br. s.s., 1,459, Howie, 6th Mar.— Australian Ports 14th Feb, Gen.—B. & S.			
Cymbeline, Br. s.s., 2,159, Smyth, 15th Mar.— Barry 27th Jan, Coal.—Admiralty.			
Daphne, Ger. s.s., 1,299, Schipper, 14th Mar.— Samarang 5th Mar, Sugar.—E. A. T. Co.			
Empress of China, Br. s.s., 3,046, Archibald, R.N.R., 16th Mar.—Vancouver, B.C., 23rd Feb, and Shanghai 14th Mar, Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.			
Gaelic, Br. s.s., 2,671, Finch, R.N.R., 10th Mar.— San Francisco 10th Feb, Honolulu 18th, Yokohama 2nd Mar, Kobe 4th, Nagasaki 6th, and Shanghai 8th, Mails and Gen.— O. & S. S. Co.			
Hanoi, Fr. s.s., 739, Merlees, 10th Mar.— Haiphong and Hoihow 9th Mar, Gen.— A. R. M.			
Hip Sang, Br. s.s., 1,040, Stalker, 12th Mar.— Hongkong 9th Mar, Coal.—J. M. & Co.			
Holstein, Ger. s.s., 985, Hansen, 15th Mar.— Saigon 11th Mar, Rice and Flour.—J. & C.			
Indrasambha, Br. s.s., 3,166, Craven, R.N.R., 16th Mar.—Portland, Or. and Moj 11th Mar, Gen.—P. & A. S. Co.			
Mercedes, Br. s.s., 3,000, McGregor, 9th Mar.— Wellington, (N.Z.) 10th Feb, Coal.— Naval Stores.			
Mongkut, Ger. s.s., 889, Wolff, 14th Mar.— Bangkok 7th Mar, Rice.—B. & S.			
Needles, Br. s.s., 2,995, Turner, 17th Mar.— Moj 12th Mar, Coal.—B. & S.			
Pha Chom Kiao, Ger. s.s., 1,012, Reimers, 6th Mar.—Bangkok 29th Feb, Rice.—B. & S.			
Pha Chula Chom Kiao, Ger. s.s., 1,012, Bohn, 15th Mar.—Bangkok 8th Mar, Rice.—B. & S.			
Proteus, Norw. s.s., 1,628, Moller, 4th Mar.— Manila 29th Feb, Ballast.—E. A. T. Co.			
Stolberg, Ger. s.s., 1,553, Deinst, 4th Mar.— Shanghai 1st Mar, Gen.—H. A. L.			
Strathnevis, Br. s.s., 2,103, Bulharman, 14th Mar.—Cardiff 16th Jan, Coal.—Order.			
Sullberg, Ger. s.s., 781, Meyer, 12th Mar.— Canton 12th Mar, Gen.—H. A. L.			
Thales, Br. s.s., 891, Robson, 16th Mar.— Fochow 13th Mar, Amoy 14th, and Swatow 15th, Gen.—D. L. & Co.			
Tijlajap, Dut. s.s., 2,478, Koops, 17th Mar.— Amoy 16th Mar, Gen.—Hotz & Jacob & Co.			
Tainan, Br. s.s., 1,023, Mitchell, 29th Feb.— Saigon 25th Feb, Rice and Meal.—J. M. & Co.			
Warrior, Br. s.s., 2,391, Tindale, 12th Mar.— Barry 2nd Mar, Coal.—Admiralty.			
Wuchang, Br. s.s., 801, Finlayson, 17th Mar.— Hilo 13th Mar, Sugar.—B. & S.			

SAILING VESSELS.

Vessels	To	Agents	Due
Algoa Bay, Br. b.q., 1,111, Title, 4th Mar.— Hongkong 15th Feb, Coal.—B. & S.			

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Ellen Rickmers	at Kowloon Dock		
Holent	"		
Saint	"		
U.S.S. Kentucky	"		
Chuenao	"		
Stolberg	"		
Liu Tan	"		
H.M.G.S. Moew	"		
H.M.S. Glory	"		
Seestern	"		
Staford	"		
Chingto	"		

Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—20th February—Frankby, *Ning-
chow*, 24th February—*Monmouthshire*, *Pal-
awan*, 15th March—*Salazie*, *Caith-
ness*, *Philoche*, 15th March—*Artemi-
dis*, *Oloach*, *Brinsford*, *Euandis*, *Cra-
gavilla*, 8th March—*Jersey*, *Formosa*, *Marie*
Valerie, *Sikh*, *Prins Jason*, *Heinrich*, 12th
March—*Achilles*, *Wurzburg*, *Arabia*, *Louis*
Trader, *Marquis Baguheim*, 16th March—
Armenia, *S. Kild*, *Kelvin*, *Maria*, *Meridian*,
Standard.
Homeward—9th February—*Nurnberg*, 12th
February—*Lowther*, *Bayern*, 20th February—
Flintshire, *Polynesien*, 21th February—
Rosely, 4th March—*Hudson*, 8th March—
Nestor, *Vindobona*, 12th March—*Dendigh-
shire*, *Gera*, *Annam*, 16th March—*Glenloch-
Glenfield*.
Arrivals at Home—9th February—*Pro-
metheus*, *Manila*, *Shenandoah*, 12th February—
Krauscho, 17th February—*Dardanus*, *In-
dranila*, 19th February—*Ceylon*, 24th Febru-
ary—*Calchas*, *China*, 4th March—*Yangtze*,
Glenroy, *Pyrrhus*, 7th March—*Japan*, 8th
March—*Glenfarg*, *Georgian Prince*, 12th
March—*Ernest Simons*, *Sachsen*, 16th March—
Himera, *Amiria*, *Prinsesse Maria*.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. J. I. Plum-
mer, Chief Assistant of the Hongkong Obser-
vatory:
On the 18th at 11.30 a.m. The barometer
has risen considerably in Central China and
fallen in Southern Japan.
A depression lies to the south of Kinsiu,
which appears to be moving slowly to the
north east.
Gradients are rather steep on the China
Coast, and strong monsoon will be met with in
the Formosa Channel and fresh N.E. winds in
the north part of the China Sea.
Forecast:—Fresh N.E. winds; overcast, some
rain.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Bar.	Th.	Hum.	Wind	Wt.
March 18th, 1904, a.m.				
Vladivostok, 7 a.m. 30.29	10	99	—	0
Yemuro, 6 a.m. 30.28	—	—	NW	6
Hokkaido, 6 a.m. 30.33	—	—	—	0
Kochi, 6 a.m. 30.26	—	—	N	4
Naha, 6 a.m. 29.83	—	—	E	8
Nagasaki, 6 a.m. 29.87	—	—	NE	10
Kagoshima, 6 a.m. 29.83	—	—	NE	10
Oshima, 6 a.m. 29.80	—	—	NW	6
Naha, 6 a.m. 29.97	—	—	NW	8
Ishigakijima, 6 a.m. 30.05	—	—	NE	2
Taihou, 6 a.m. 30.04	—	—	E	6
Taihou, 6 a.m. 29.95	—	—	N	2
Taihou, 6 a.m. 29.94	—	—	N	2
Koshun, 6 a.m. 29.97	—	—	NE	8
Pescadore, 6 a.m. 29.95	—	—	NE	10
Weihaiwei, 6 a.m. 30.24	37	—	NW	1
Gutlaif, 6 a.m. 30.23	44	100	N	4
Sharp Peak, 6 a.m. 30.19	54	99	NNE	2
Amoy, 6 a.m. 30.12	56	81	NE	2
Swatow, 6 a.m. 30.11	62	—	N	1
Canton, 6 a.m. 30.10	57	87	N	1
Hongkong, 6 a.m. 30.10	57	87	N	1
Victoria Peak, 6 a.m. 30.06	—	—	NNE	4
Cap Rock, 6 a.m. 30.06	—	—	N	5
Macao, 6 a.m. 29.92	82	63	W	2
Haiphong, 6 a.m. 29.92	82	63	W	2
Manila, 6 a.m. 29.89	82	—	NNE	2
Bacolod, 6 a.m. 29.89	82	—	NNE	2
Hilo, 6 a.m. 29.89	82	—	NNE	2
Cebu, 6 a.m. 29.91	84	—	N	4
C. St. James, 10 a.m.	—	—	—	—

Post Office.

A Mail will close for—
Canton—Per *Hankow*, 19th Mar., 7.30 A.M.
Kobe—Per *Tokio*, 19th Mar., 10 A.M.
Amoy, Manila, Cebu and Hilo—Per *Sung-
kiang*, 19th Mar., 11 A.M.
Amoy, Swatow, Straits and Rangoon—Per
Palamcetta, 19th Mar., 11 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Fuchow—Per *Thales*,
19th Mar., 11 A.M.
Macao—Per *Heungshing*, 19th Mar., 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai—Per *Lyceum*, 19th Mar., 2 P.M.
Swatow and Shanghai—Per *Hipsang*, 19th
Mar., 3 P.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama,
Hankow and San Francisco—Per *Guelic*,
19th Mar., 5 P.M.
Hoihow and Haiphong—Per *Hongkong*,
19th Mar., 5 P.M.
Nantao—Per *Taihou*, 19th Mar., 5 P.M.
Nantao—Per *Hoi Fu*, 19th Mar., 5 P.M.
Macao—Per *Wingchui*, 19th Mar., 5 P.M.
Nantao—Per *Taihou*, 20th Mar., 9 A.M.
Nantao—Per *Hoi Fu*, 20th Mar., 9 A.M.
Macao—Per *Wingchui*, 20th Mar., 9 A.M.
Canton—Per *Pouan*, 20th Mar., 9 A.M.
Singapore, Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang,
Sourabaya and Macassar—Per *Tijlajap*, 21st
Mar., 11 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, via Taicou—Per
Sydney, 22nd Mar., 11 A.M.
Hilo—Per *Wachung*, 22nd Mar., 3 P.M.
Shanghai—Per *Lehang*, 22nd Mar., 3 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per
Nantao, 23rd Mar., 2 P.M.
Kobe—Per *Chingto*, 23rd Mar., 3 P.M.
Manila—Per *Katjong*, 23rd Mar., 3 P.M.
Moj, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland, Or.—
Per *Indrasambha*, 24th Mar., 3 P.M.
Enropa, &c., India, via Taicou—Per
Premis, 30th Mar., 10.45 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama,
Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Empress*
of China, 30th Mar., 10.45 A.M.

VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

THOMAS'
Linn, K.
Marchand, Mrs. L.
Oihash, R.
Perfect, G. G.
Richerson, G. D.
Richy, L. H.
Ross, G. de Torefe
Schur, Otto
Wal, U.
Whitley, Mr.
Young, L. C.
Austen, R.N., Staff Memorial, D. A.
Surgeon and Mrs.
Bent, Capt. and Mrs.
Bent, Mrs.
Crafter, R. II.
Dann, G. H.
Duff, J. S.
Gaskell, Mr. and Mrs.

Albert, K.
Anderson, Mr.
Arlington, L. C.
Black, Mr. and Mrs.
Bodley Col. W. K.
Boggan, Mr. & Mrs. R.
Booner, E. J.
Borthwick, Mrs. R. W.
Brown, Major Baker
Brown, W. S.
Buck, Hart
Brown, C. H.
Cameron, E.
Cardol, L. M.
Clark, W. G.
Coates, Col.
Cohn, S. T.
Jolson, F. S.
Connell, J. J.
Cook, C. G.
Cotton, Miss
Cotton, S. W.
Coulson, C. H.
Cowden, Mrs. A. R.
Cowden, Miss K.
Davies, J. T.
Davies, P. V. & servant
Deacon, F. B.
Dean, G.
Derbyshire, J. H.
Douglas, Capt. & Mrs. J.
Downing, J. C.
Downson, A.
Dunlop, A. M.
Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. A.
Ellias, A.
Emerson, A.
Farquharson, W.
Fearnly, A. E.
Fischer, E.
Fischer, H. G.
Glover, C.
Gibben, Mr. & Mrs. J. J.
Grant, A. W.
Griswold, Mrs. E.
Hall, Capt. F.
Hamblin, J. H.
Hamersley, B. F.
Hammer, Thos. A.
Haughton, W. B.
Hayton, J. T.
Helfield, A. V.
Hemans, J. K.
Hileman, J. L.
Hooper, Mr. and Mrs.
Hughes, Mr. and Mrs.
Icely, Rev. F.
Jackman, H. T.
Jalle, D.
Joseph, Mr. and Mrs.
E. S.
Katsch, E. A.
Kempfer, E.
Kennedy, E. J.

KING EDWARD.

Bardy, A. H.
Carter, H. B.
Chacouloff, D.
Corbach, Capt. Von.
Hans Stubenrauch, Mr.
Hick, W. M.
Hughes, Mr. & Mrs. M.
Kent, R. A., Lt.-Col. F.
E.
Kent, Mrs. F. E.
Kim, Mr. and Mrs. P.
Wal, E. S.
Kofod, Capt. F.
Marshall, M. E.

CONNAUGHT.

Bell, J. Mrs.
Bell, J. F.
Boyce, W. B.
Chagas, Mr. and Mrs.
J. F.
Christie, Mr. & Mrs. D.
Crispin, John
Davis, F. O.
Dulour, Mrs. B.
Dulour, Mme.
Eyre, Mr. and Mrs. H.
Hayter, L.
Heckford, R. G.
Helme, E. B.
Howard, E.
Knight, H. L.

PEAK.

Ayres, H.
Beattie, M.
Beattie, M. P.
Benson, Major & Mrs.
Benson, Mr. and Mrs.
Benson, Mr. & Mrs.
Bunny, Major and Mrs.
Bunny, Miss
Braw, Col. L. F.
Chapman, Mr. & Mrs.
Chichester, Major and
Mrs. A. A.
Doran, J. C.
Dymock, R. A. A.
Ferrer, Col. & Mrs.
Foote, R.N., Capt.
Mrs.
French, Major G. A.
Grant, R.N., Eng. Lieut.
A. R.
Hamilton, Major
Hardy, R.N., Comman-
der and Mrs.
Hewitt, F. T. B.
Holborow, Mr.
Hubbe, F.
Jeffries, H. W.
Lee, Mr. & Mrs. J. B.
Lowe, D. R.
Lucas, Dr. H. F.
Lutgers, R.
Martin, R.

KOWLOON.

Clark, Lieut. T. F.
Daniel, W.
Faymonville, Bernard
Freymont, Lieut. Col.
Duff, J. S.
Gaskell, Mr. and Mrs.

THE SHARE MARKET.

STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.			
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd.	\$ 425	Div. of £1.10/- & bonus of 10/- @ 1/81 = \$22.99 for half-year ending 31.12.1903	\$605 sa.
National Bank of China, Ltd.	\$ 8	3/6 = \$1 for 1903	\$35 sa.
Do. Founders	\$ 1	None	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Union In. Society of C'lon, Ltd.	\$ 100	32 per cent = \$32 per share for 1902	\$475 s.
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	16% = \$4 for year ended 30.4.1903	\$55 s.
North China In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	Final of £1 making £2 for 1902	Tls. 67 1/2
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.	\$ 60	20% = \$12 for 1901	\$130
Auton In. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	30% = \$15 per share for 1902	\$175 s.
FIRE INSURANCES.			
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$22 1/2 per share for 1902	\$282 1/2 b.
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$6 div. & \$1 bonus per share for 1902	\$84
SHIPPING.			
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$1 1/2 for half-year ending 31.12.1903	\$16 sa.
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	5% = 10/- per share for 1902	\$88 1/2
China & Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	10% = \$5 per share for 1902	\$21 b.
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Div. of \$1 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$32 sa.
Star Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1.20 = 12% for year ending 30.6.1903	\$30 b.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	\$ 1	60 cts. = 30/43	\$181 s.
Pattie, Mr. & Mrs. J. A.	\$ 1	Interim of 1/- for 1903	19/- b.

NOTICE.

THE WEATHER WILL BE EXCEEDINGLY COLD AFTER YOU PASS PORT SAID ON YOUR WAY HOME AND COLDER STILL SHOULD YOU GO VIA U. S. A. OR CANADA. YET YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO LOSE THE SPLENDOUR OF THE MEDITERRANEAN OR PACIFIC SEA BY NIGHT. THEREFORE A TRAVELLING RUG BECOMES A NECESSITY AND WM. POWELL, LTD., ARE PREPARED TO SUPPLY FINE SCOTCH RUGS FROM \$8.50 TO \$25.00. THESE WILL BE FOUND IN THEIR GENTLEMEN'S DEPARTMENT AT 28, QUEEN'S ROAD, WHERE THEY ALSO STOCK ALL OTHER TRAVELLING REQUISITES.

BY THE WAY, HAVE YOU HEARD THEY HAVE JUST RECEIVED 19 CASES OF NEW SPRING GOODS WHICH ARE NOW OPENED OUT, AND OTHER LARGER SHIPMENTS FOLLOW TO STOCK THEIR NEW PREMISES IN DES VŒUX ROAD WHICH WILL BE OPENED SHORTLY? ONE OF THE CHIEF FEATURES OF THE BUSINESS WILL BE THE GRAND WINDOW DISPLAY WHICH CANNOT FAIL TO ATTRACT THE ATTENTION OF EVERYONE IN THE COLONY.

N.B. THE LADIES' DEPARTMENT IS AT PRESENT AT 34, QUEEN'S ROAD (UPSTAIRS).